

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Valuing Externalities Workshop
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OBJECTIVES

This two-day workshop will seek state-of-the-art knowledge of models and studies that may be useful to address the valuation of power plant emissions reductions and the clarification of uncertainties in making valuations for health benefits associated with future reductions in PM and mercury. With regard to models, NETL seeks to understand structural differences and differences in complexity between externality models that can lead to differences in model outputs, and also seeks to determine whether it is feasible to develop an externalities model with adequate complexity to produce consistently reliable results, yet which can be used on a desktop. The goal of this workshop, with regard to models, is to understand how the models work, not to analyze or compare results, which could be the focus of a later workshop. NETL also seeks to understand outstanding issues with regard to benefits of PM and mercury reduction. NETL intends to bring these uncertainties to the table with interested stakeholders.

The objective and expected outcome is identification of “Next Steps” that may assist DOE/FE to evaluate benefits of FE technologies and programs through the development of better models, high quality data, and results supported with well-designed studies and analyses.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- policy analysts
- policy makers
- consultants in environmental regulations and environmental modeling
- state level air quality personnel

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Authors wishing to present technical information at this workshop must submit an abstract of approximately 250-500 words by January 10, 2003 (electronic submission is highly preferred) to:

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